



The Collaborative Targeted Assessment: Stepping Stone to Efficiency

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CTA Objectives

- Generate interest in energy conservation
- Identify potential savings of plant utility expenses
- Reduce NOx through energy efficiency

Approach

Where Am I?

- Data Collection – By Merisol
- Preliminary Analysis – By DOE
- Plant Visit – Joint

What's Happening?

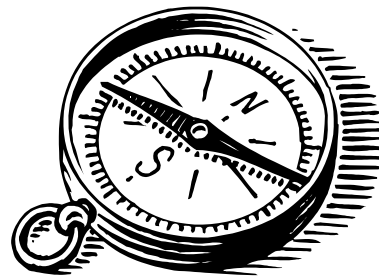
- Follow Up Data Collection – By Merisol
- Final Analysis – By DOE

What Can I Do?

- Report with Recommendations – By DOE
- Implementation – By Merisol



Where Am I?



Technical Data for Each Heater

- Number of Burners
- Burner Ratings (MMBtu/hr)
- Heater Geometry (Shell Area, Stack Height & Diameter)
- Auxiliary Equipment (Pumps, Fans, Blowers, etc.)
- Fuel Type and Heat Value

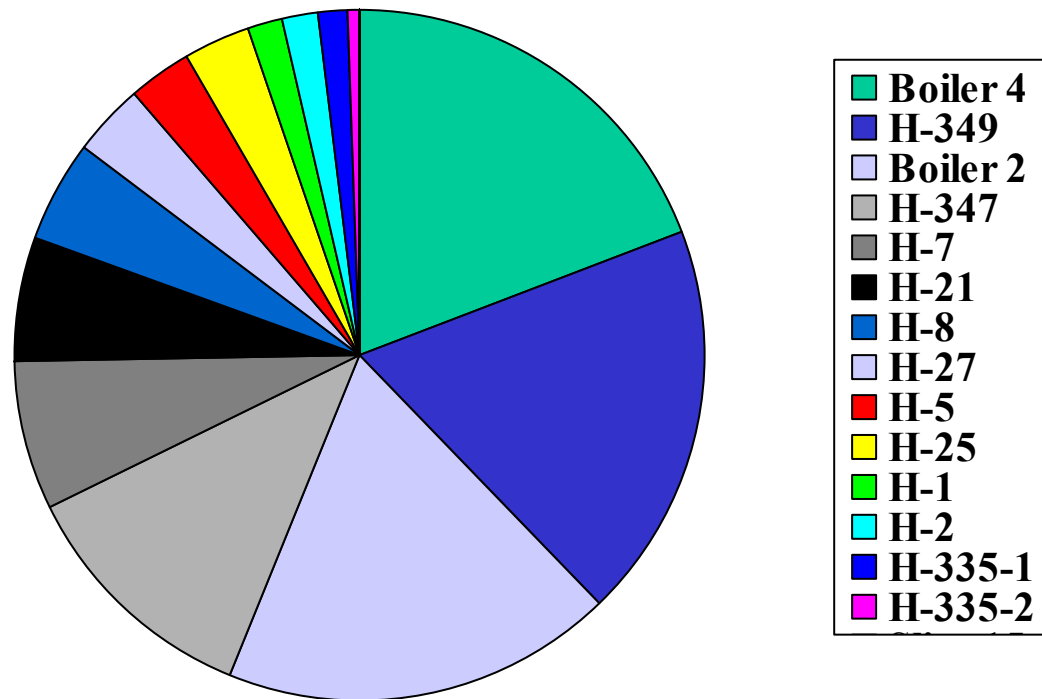


Operating Data for Each Heater

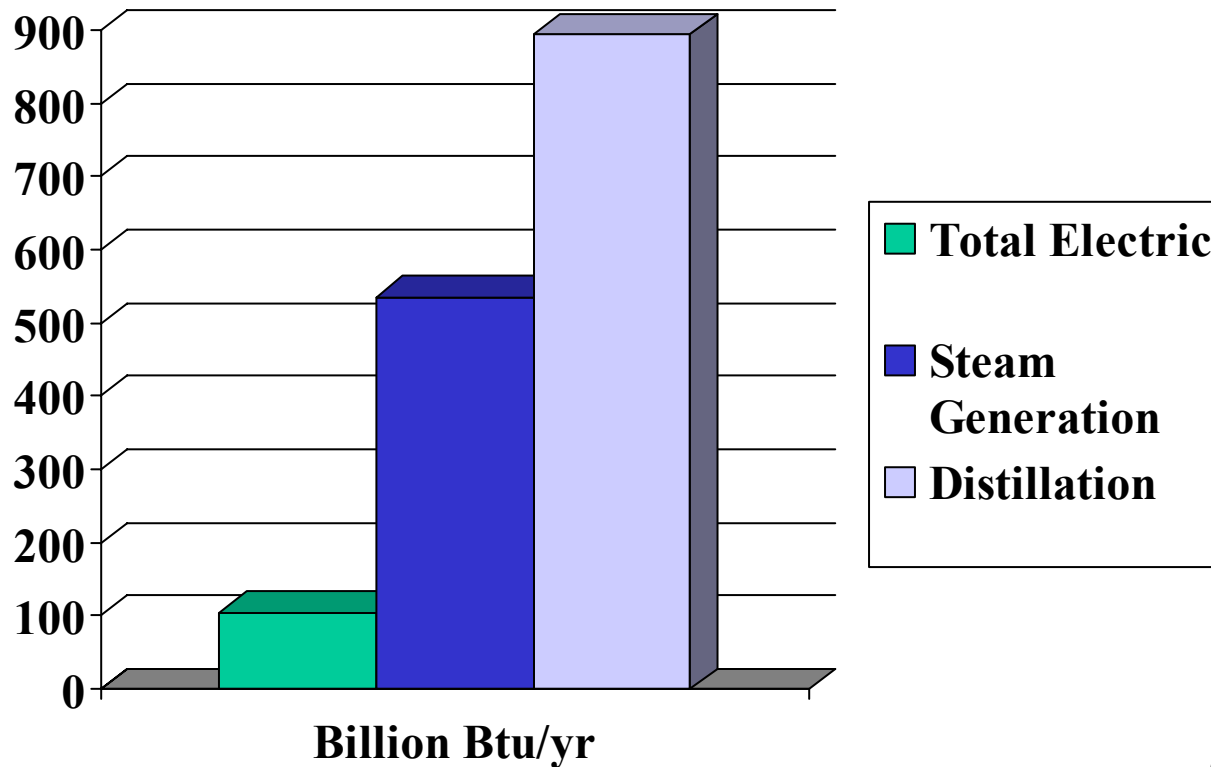
- Operating Hours
- Flue Gas Temperatures
- Combustion Air Temperatures
- Fuel Usage and Cost
- Flue Gas % Oxygen
- Charge Weights
- Physical Properties (Specific Heat, Heat of Vaporization)
- Charge Inlet and Outlet Temperatures
- Amount of Vaporization
- External Wall Temperature



Gas Consumed per Unit



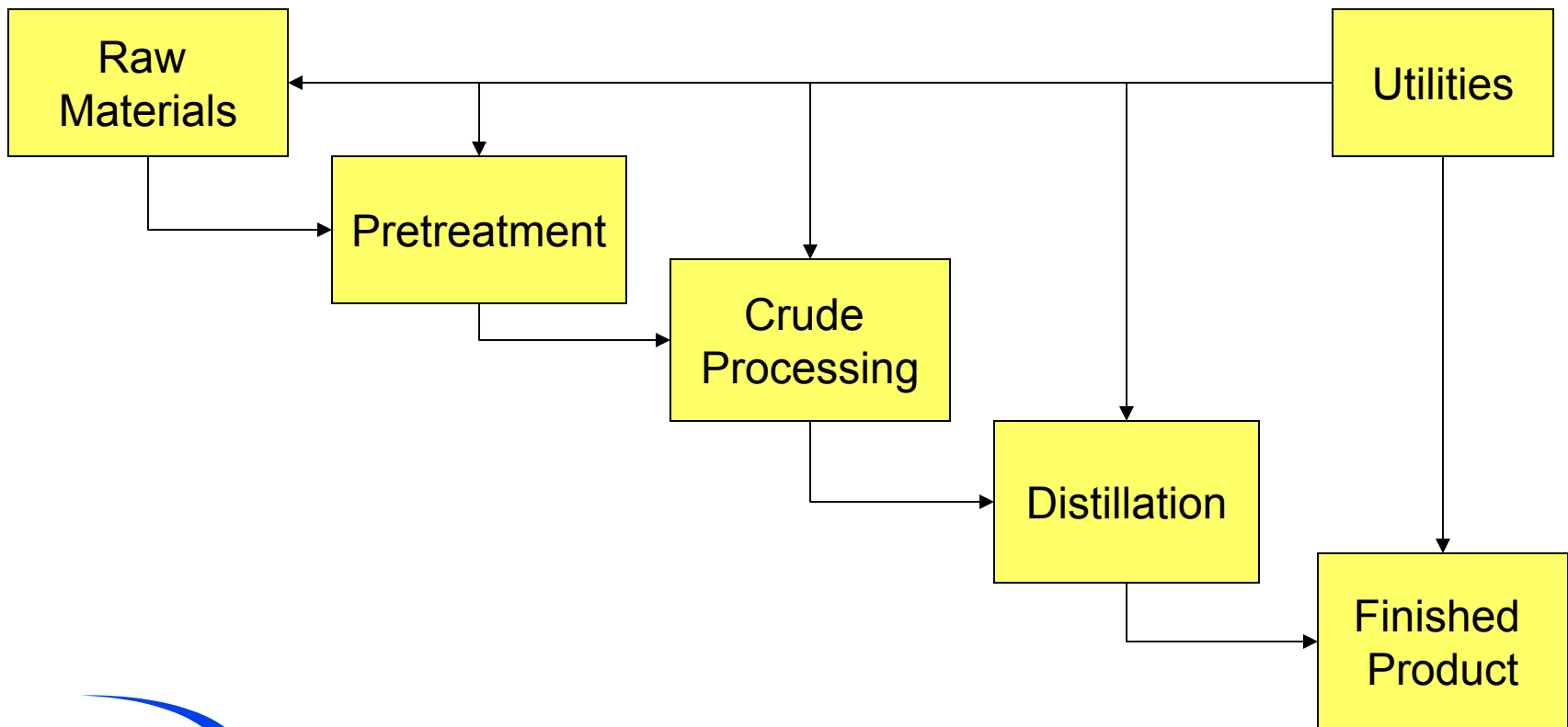
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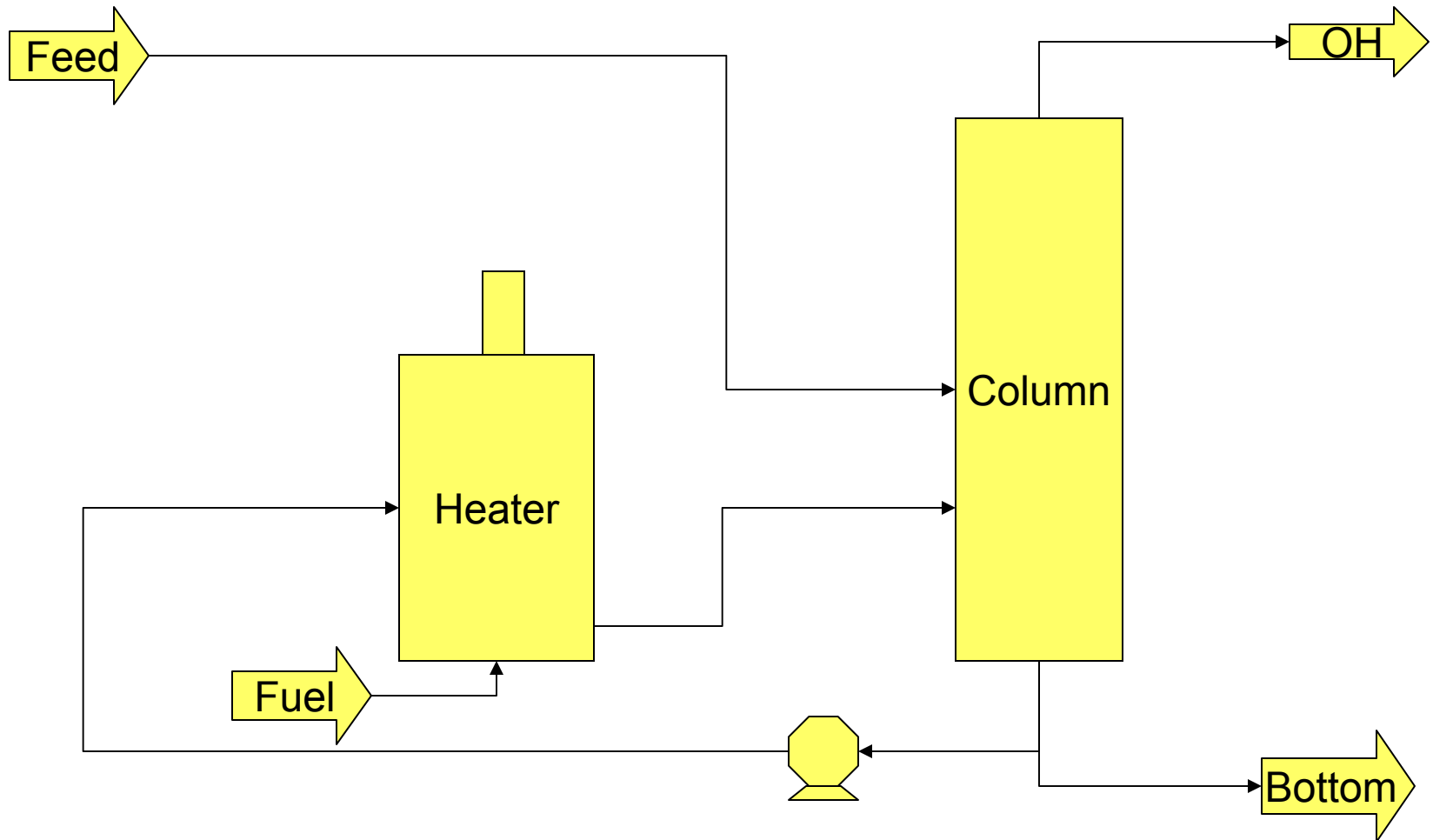
Site Visit

- Review Data Collected
- Answer Questions / Data Needs
- Review Plant Process
- Interview Operators
- Interview Unit Engineers

The Process



Distillation Train (typical)

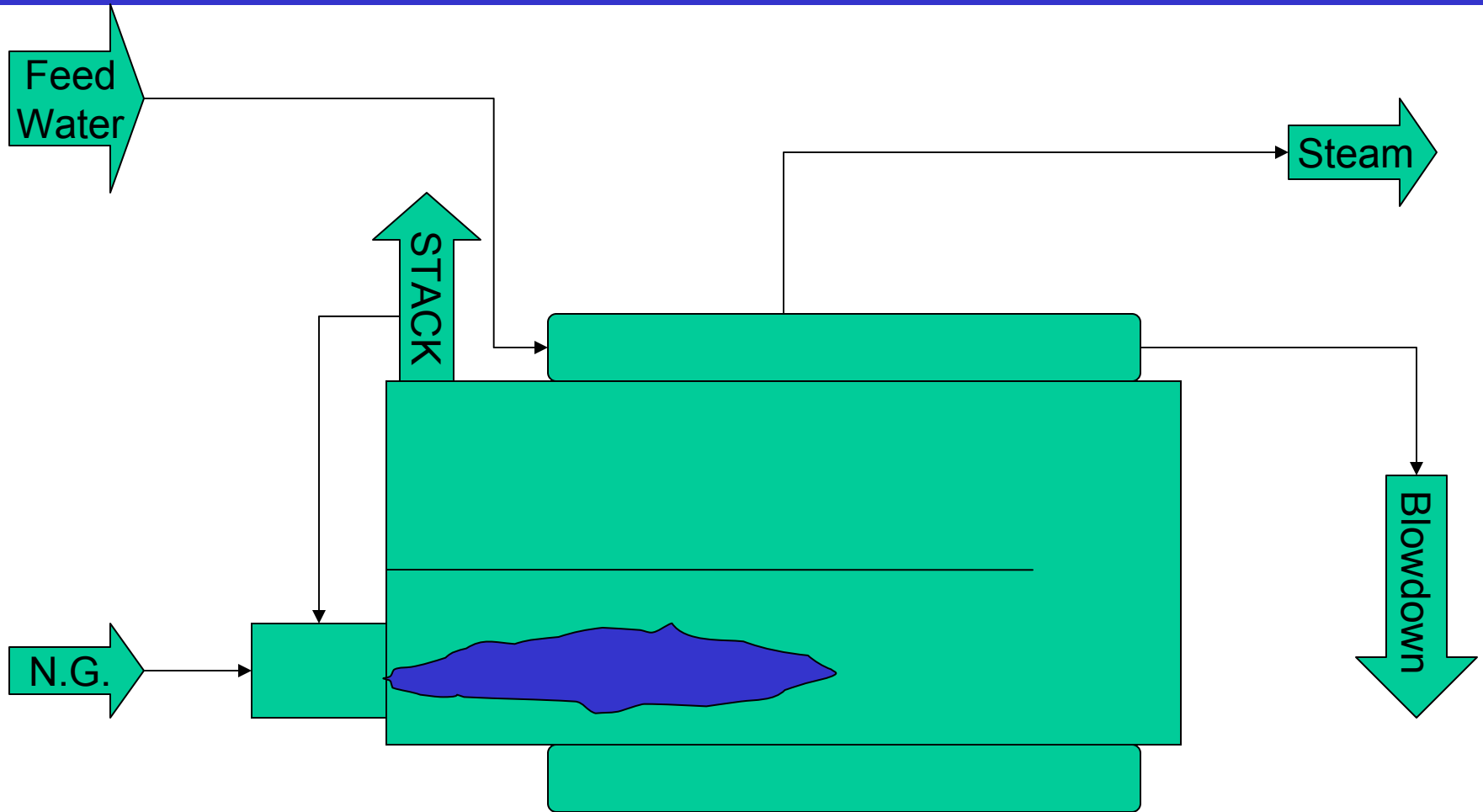


Distillation Heat Recovery

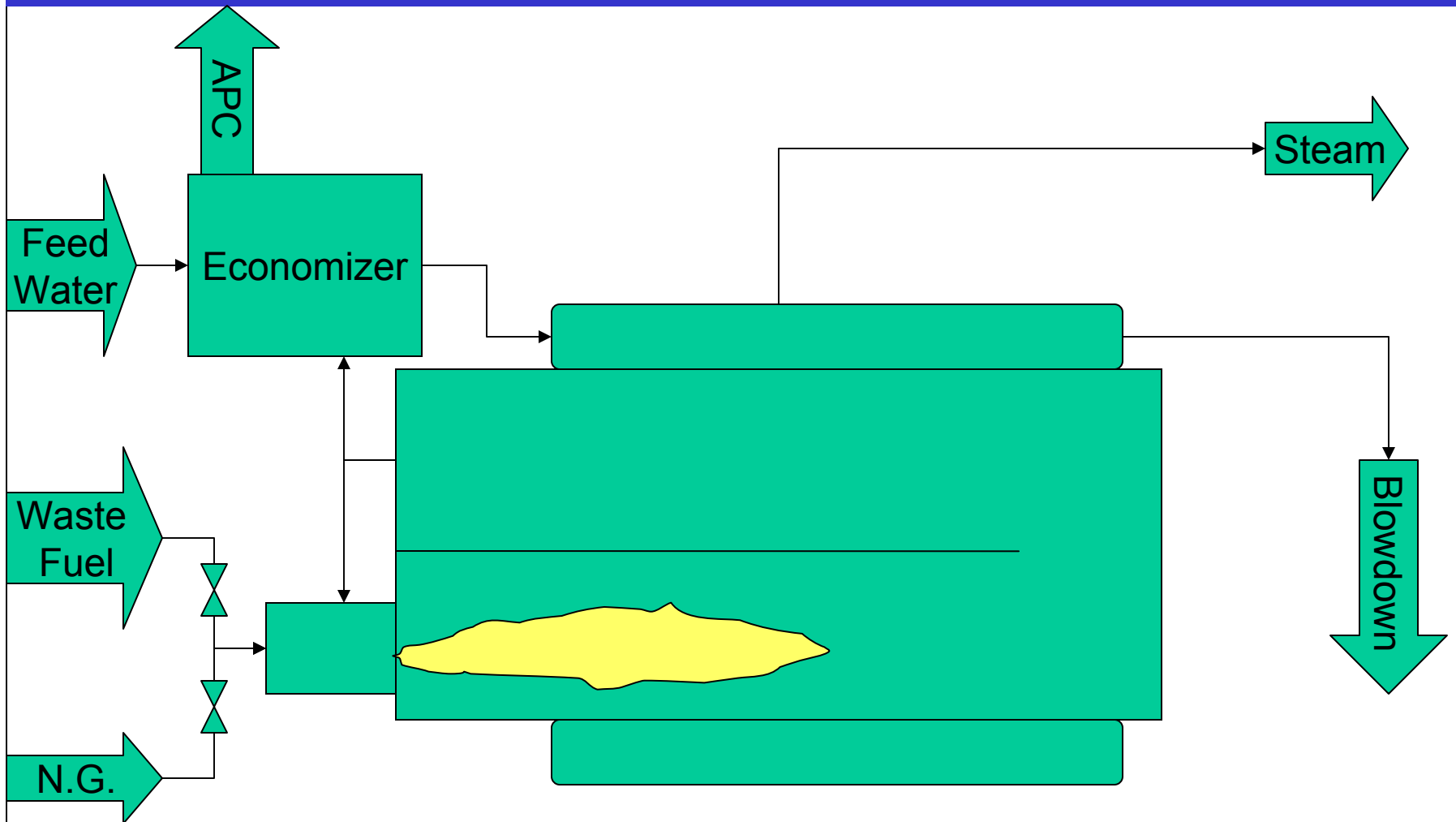
Merisol employs heat recovery from distillation on some units including:

- Feed/Bottoms Preheaters
- Steam Generation from Overhead Product Coolers
- Combustion Air Preheater

Package Boiler (#2)



BIF Boiler (#4)



Boiler Heat Recovery

Merisol employs heat recovery from boilers including:

- Economizer (#4)
- Condensate Return
- Blowdown Heat Recovery (Out of Service)

Follow-Up Operating Data

- Charge Weights
- Physical Properties (Specific Heat, Heat of Vaporization)
- Charge Inlet and Outlet Temperatures
- Amount of Vaporization



What's Happening?



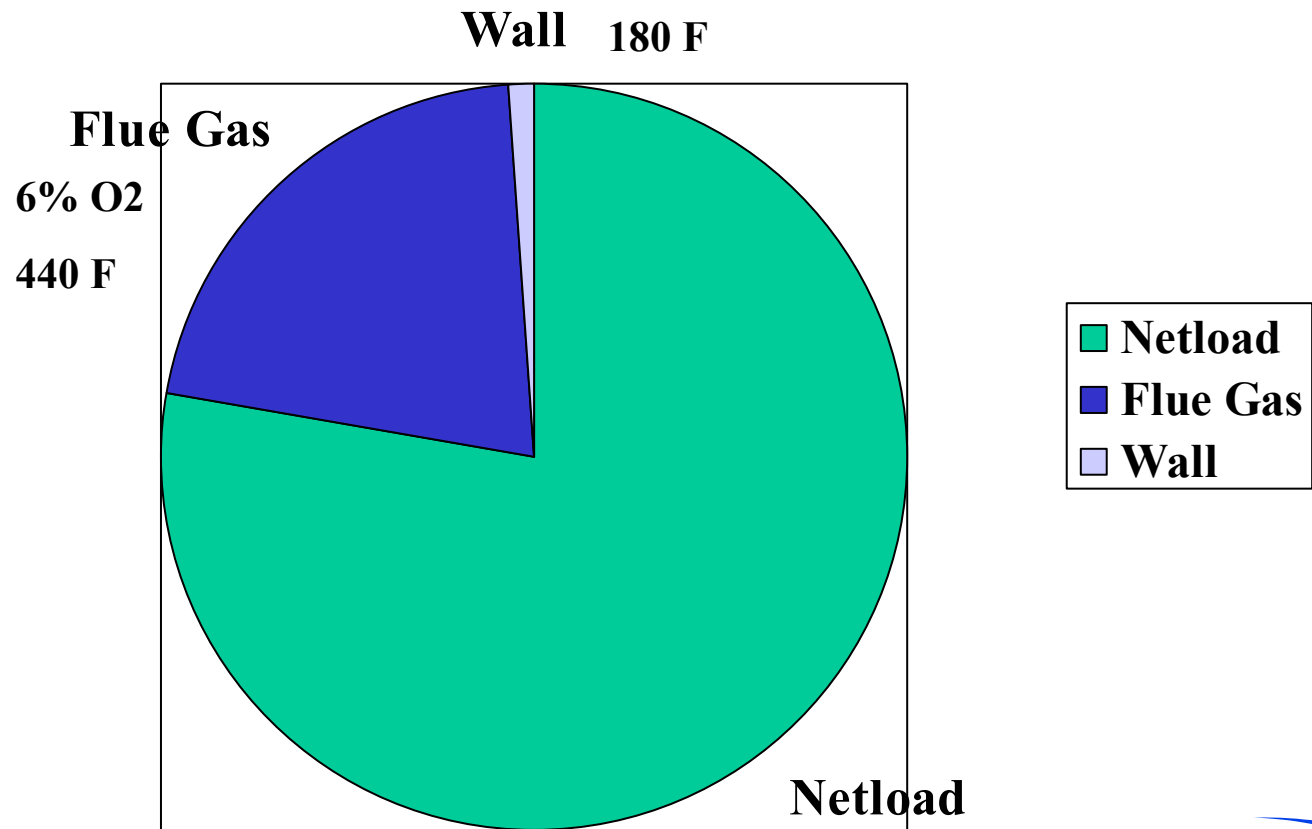
Analysis

- Model Heat Balance in PHAST
(Process Heat Assessment & Survey Tool)
- Apparent Imbalance Discovered
- Need for Better Data

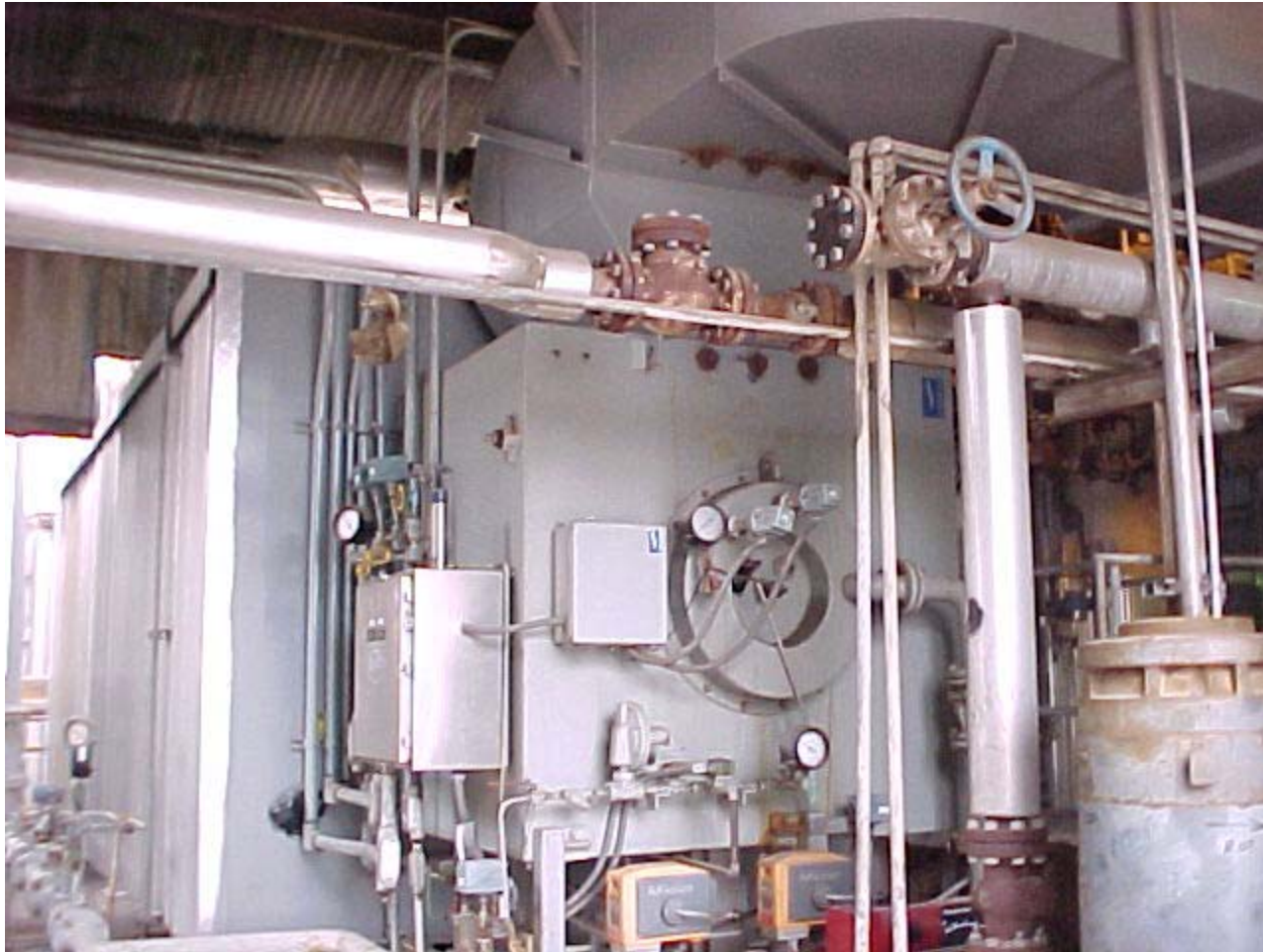
Boiler #4



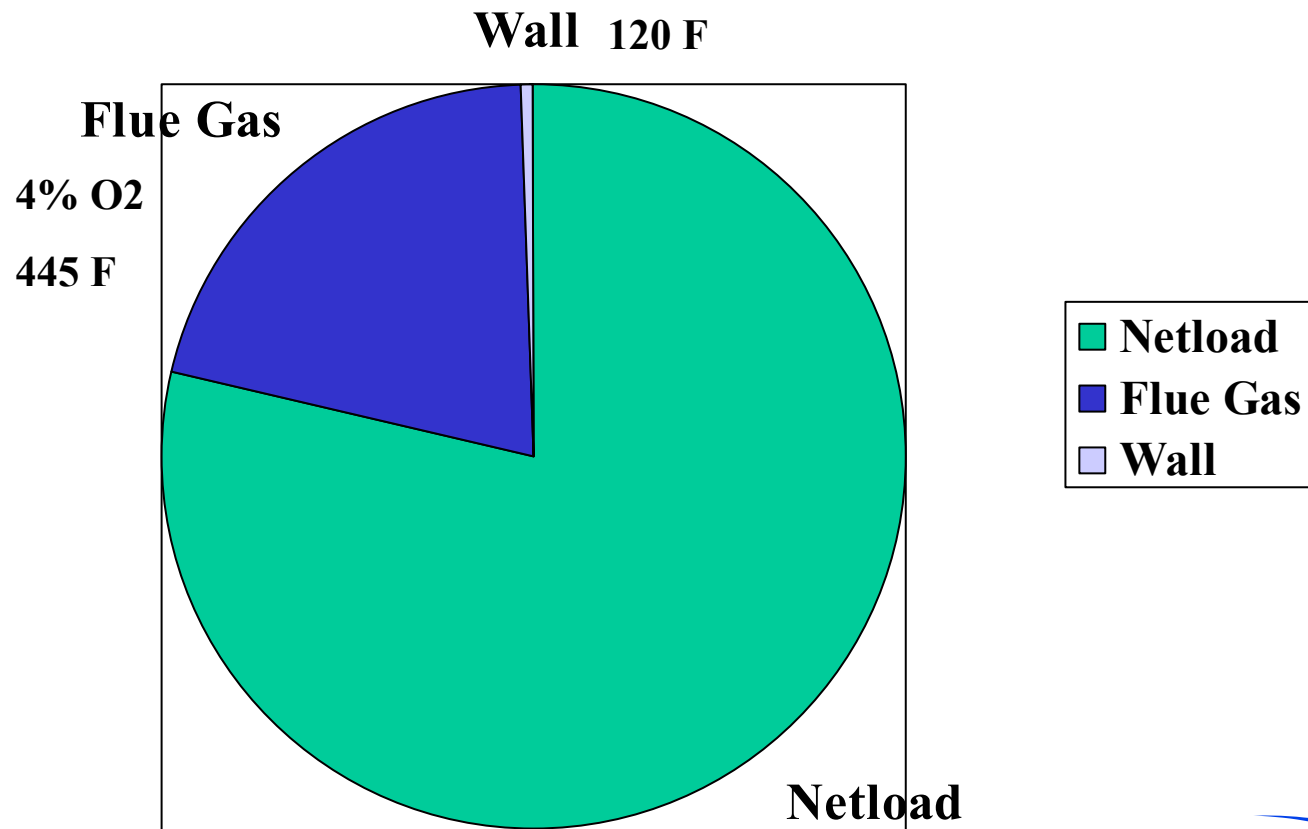
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Boiler #2



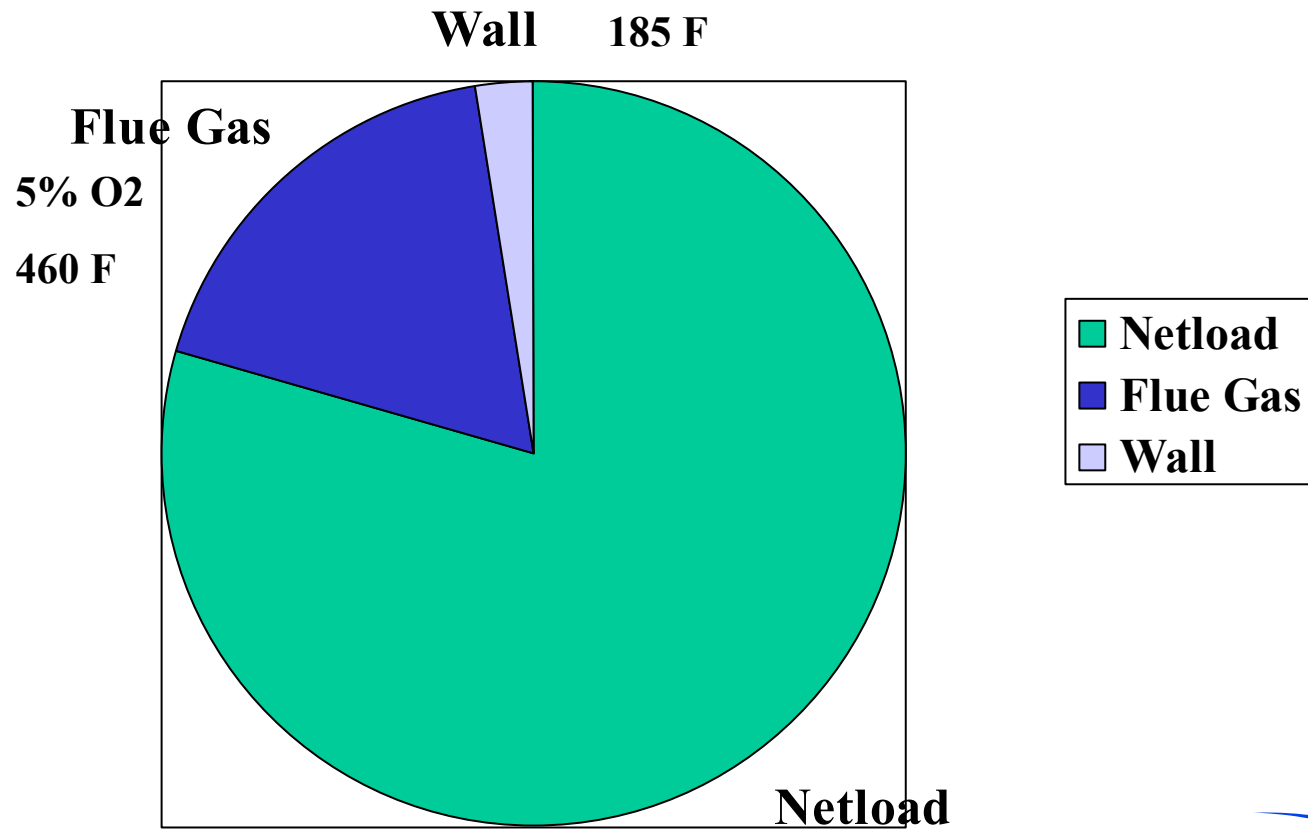
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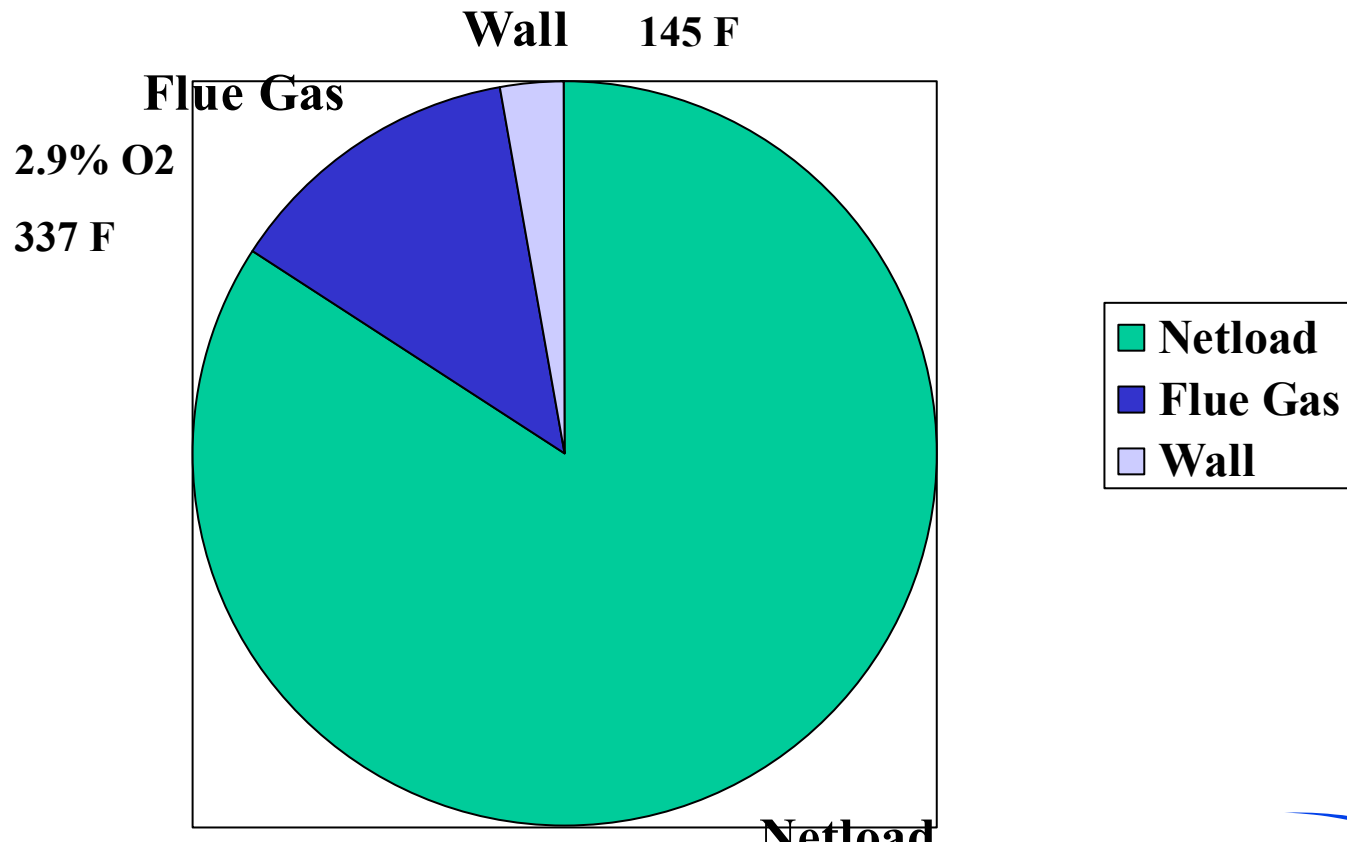
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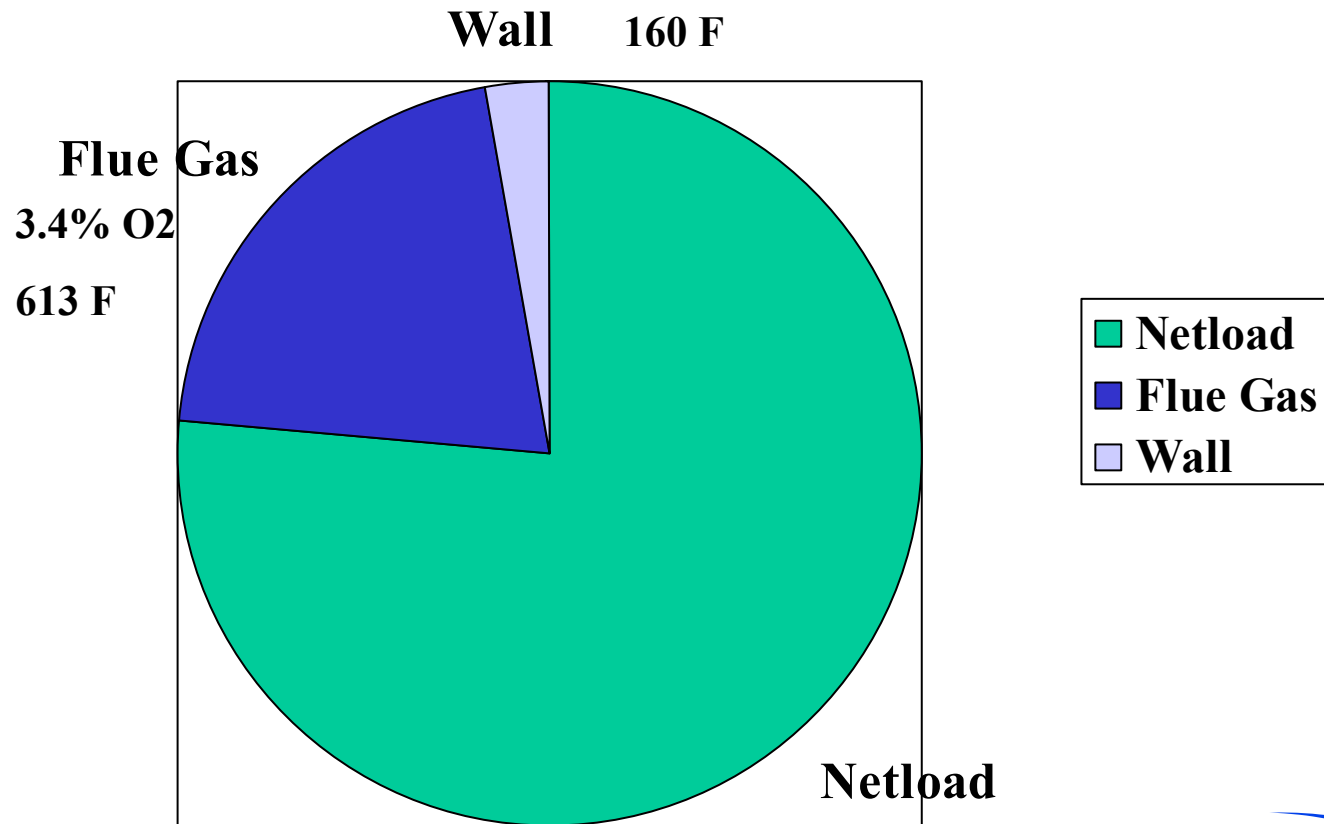
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Heat Balance H-347

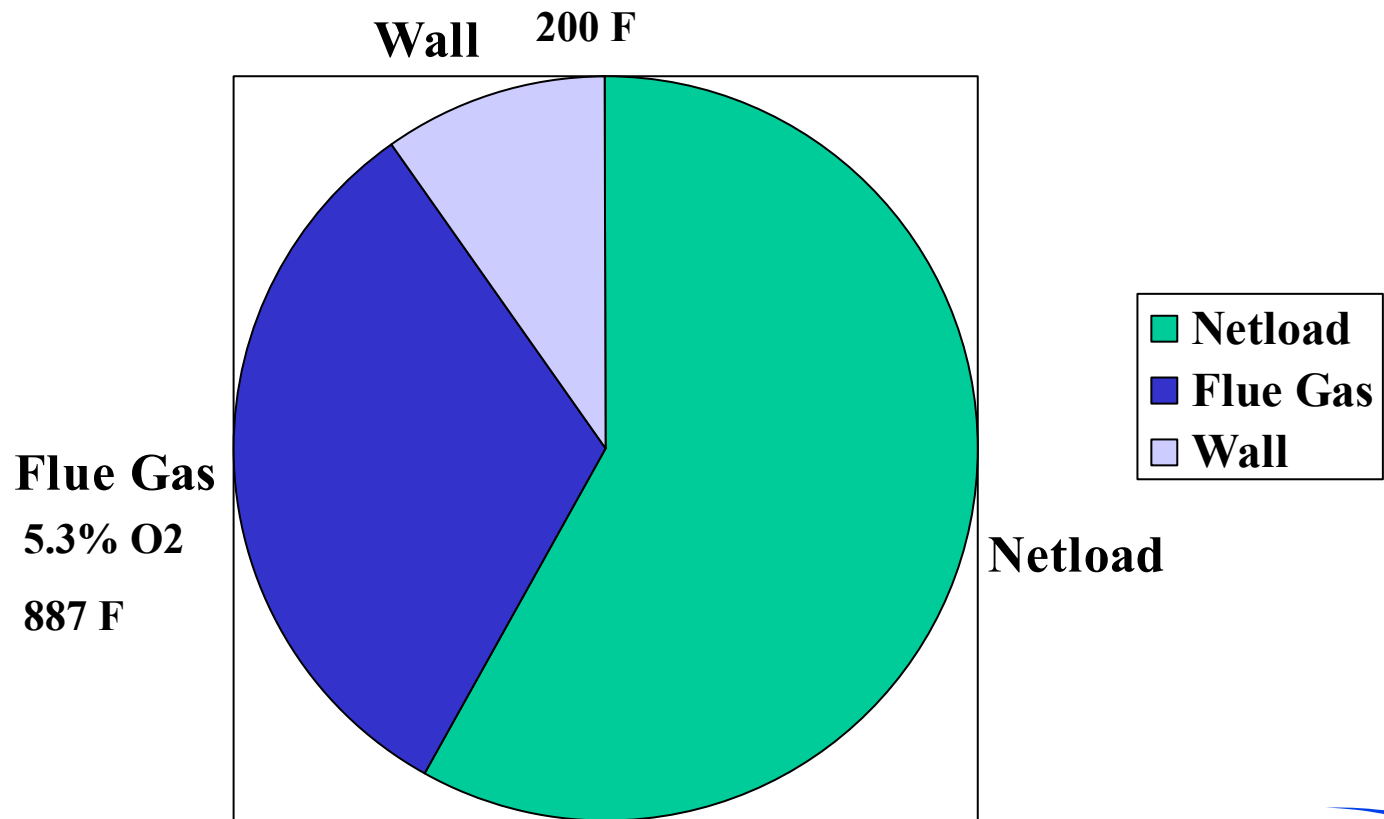


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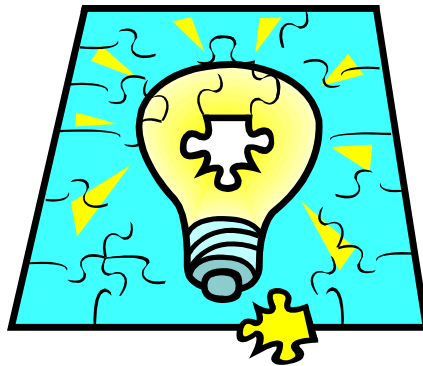
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Heat Balance H-7





What Can I Do?

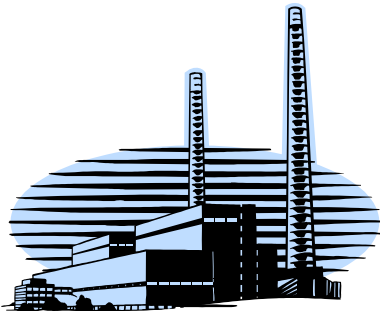


Recommendations

1. Oxygen Control for Flue Gas
2. Waste Heat Recovery
3. Automatic Temperature Control
4. Boiler and Steam System Improvements

Oxygen Control for Flue Gas

- Install in-situ O₂ sensors in flue gas
- Control flue gas O₂ to 2%
- 4% Projected Savings



Waste Heat Recovery

- Combustion Air Preheaters
- Water Heating
- Steam Reheating
- Steam Generation
- Absorption Chillers
- 5% Projected Savings



Automatic Temperature Control

- Modulate air/fuel to load changes
- Process improvement
- No savings projection provided

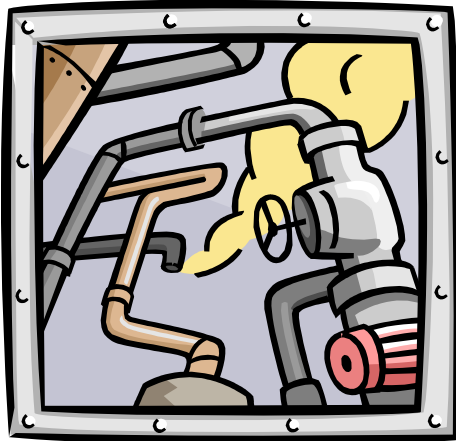


Boilers and Steam

- **Minimize vent steam (2.9%)**
- **Optimize condensate recovery (2.1%)**
- **Improve boiler operating practices (1.5%)**
- **Use high pressure condensate for low pressure steam (1.5%)**
- **Repair burner / combustion system parts (1.5%)**
- **Clean boiler heat transfer surfaces (1.4%)**
- **Repair steam leaks (1.4%)**
- **Reduce steam operating pressure (1.3%)**
- **Improve quality of delivered steam (1.0%)**
- **Isolate steam from unused lines (0.9%)**
- **Establish correct vent rate for deaerator (0.6%)**
- **Add / restore boiler refractory insulation (0.6%)**

Boilers and Steam

- Steam generation uses 37% of energy
- 5% Projected Savings



Next Steps

1. Optimize current installation
 - A. Tuning
 - B. Leaks
 - C. Maintenance
2. Study feasibility of recommendations
3. Consider plant-wide assessment



NOx Considerations

1. Use NOx in prioritization (Fuel = NOx)
2. Take advantage of burner retrofit downtime
3. Seal up heaters for NOx control



CTA

- Identify (Where am I?)
- Analyze (What's happening?)
- Optimize (What can I do?)



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